

There could not be a plainer abuse of an FCC license than Sinclair Broadcasting's attempt to force its stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the presidential election.

This contravenes the mandate of stations to operate in the public interest, convenience and necessity; instead of enlightening the public this is an attempt to confuse and propagandize.

If ever there was a case that called for immediate FCC intervention it is surely this one, and I call upon you to act. A political advertisement, not to say a smear campaign, is not a news program, and its broadcast must be governed by campaign regulations rather than those applicable to genuine news reporting.